

*AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS*

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Claims 1-20                    (Canceled)

21. (Currently Amended) A shelter, comprising:

a pole assembly, comprising:

    a hub;

    a first upright pole, comprising:

        a first upper pole segment removably attached to the hub by a first connection;

        a first lower pole segment connected to the first upper pole segment so that the first lower pole segment is more vertical with respect to a surface than the first upper pole segment when the shelter is erected on the surface, the first connection and the first upper pole segment being nonrotatable so that the first upright pole does not substantially rotate relative to the hub; and

        a second upright pole attached to the hub; and

    a canopy supported by the pole assembly.

22. (Previously Presented)         The shelter of claim 21, wherein the second upright pole is removably attached to the hub at a second connection.

23. (Currently Amended) The shelter of claim 22, wherein the second upright pole comprises a second upper pole segment comprising the second connection and a second lower pole segment connected to the second upper pole segment so that the second lower pole segment is more vertical with respect to the surface than the second upper pole segment, the second connection and the second upper pole segment being nonrotatable so that the second upright pole does not substantially rotate relative to the hub.

24. (Previously Presented) The shelter of claim 23, wherein:

the first connection comprises an end of the first upper pole segment extending into a first opening on the hub to attach the first upper pole segment to the hub, the first opening and the end comprising first structures that permit attachment, but not rotation relative to one another; and

the second connection comprises an end of the second upper pole segment extending into a second opening on the hub to attach the second upper pole segment to the hub, the second opening and the end comprising second structures that permit attachment, but not rotation relative to one another.

25. (Previously Presented) The shelter of claim 24, wherein the first structures and second structures each comprise oblong cross sections.

26. (Previously Presented) The shelter of claim 25, wherein the oblong cross sections comprise flat portions that engage each other when the respective pole is inserted in the respective opening.

27. (Currently Amended) The shelter of claim 21, wherein the pole assembly comprises four upright poles, each removably connected to the hub and comprising an upper pole segment and a lower pole segment, the lower pole segment connected to the upper pole segment so that the lower pole segment is more vertical with respect to the surface than the upper pole segment, and the connection of each of the upright poles to the hub being nonrotatable so that the upright pole does not substantially rotate relative to the hub.

28. (Currently Amended) The shelter of claim 21, wherein the hub comprises a first hub, and wherein the pole assembly further comprises ~~two~~a second hubs and four upright poles, two of the upright poles removably connected to ~~a~~the first hub and the other two upright poles removably connected to ~~a~~the second hub, each upright pole comprising an upper pole segment and a lower pole segment, the lower pole segment connected to the upper pole segment so that the lower pole segment is more vertical with respect to the surface than the upper pole segment,

and the connection of each of the upright poles to the respective hub being nonrotatable so that the upright pole does not substantially rotate relative to the respective hub.

29. (Previously Presented) The shelter of claim 21, wherein the first connection comprises an end of the first upper pole segment extending into a first opening on the hub to attach the first upper pole segment to the hub, the first opening and the end comprising first structures that permit attachment, but not rotation, relative to one another.

30. (Canceled)

31. (Currently Amended) The shelter of claim 3029, wherein the oblong cross sections comprise flat portions that engage each other when the respective pole is inserted in the respective opening.